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Claims

- 1. A packaging container for integrated circuits comprising
 - a tray for holding integrated circuits, and
- a tray cover, wherein the <u>composition of the tray cover</u> comprises a plastic material, an electrostatic dissipating charge material, and a desiccating material for adsorbing moisture contained within the packaging container.
- ⁾ 2. The packaging container of Claim 1 further comprising a humidity indicator device secured to the tray cover, which indicator device determines a humidity level within the packaging container.
- 3. The packaging container of Claim 2 wherein the humidity indicator device is secured into an opening in the tray cover.
- ightharpoonup 4. The packaging container of Claim 1 wherein the plastic material of the tray cover comprises a polypropylene.
- 5. The packaging container of Claim 2 wherein the humidity indicator device comprises a humidity indicator element and a system for securing the humidity indicator element to the tray cover.
- 56. The packaging container of Claim 5 wherein the humidity indicator element comprises a hydrophillic blotter

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substrate onto which a humidity indicator solution has been placed.

The packaging container of Claim 6 wherein the
humidity indicator solution comprises cobalt chloride.

8. The packaging container of Claim 2 wherein the humidity indicator device is secured to the tray cover using a clear, plastic disk mounted within the opening in the tray cover.

9. The packaging container of Claim 1 further comprising a water and moisture-proof barrier bag into which the tray is secured.

) 10. A packaging container for integrated circuits comprising

a tray for holding integrated circuits,

a tray cover, wherein the composition of the tray cover comprises a plastic material, an electrostatic dissipating charge material, and a desiccating material for adsorbing moisture contained within the packaging container,

a humidity indicator device secured to the tray cover for determining the humidity level within the packaging container; and

a moisture-proof barrier bag into which the tray and the tray cover are placed.

11. The packaging container of Claim 10 wherein the

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humidity indicator device is secured into an opening in the tray cover.

- 12. The packaging container of Claim 10 wherein the composition of the tray cover further comprises an antistatic material.
- 13. The packaging container of Claim 10 wherein the plastic material of the tray cover comprises a polypropylene.
- J 14. The packaging container of Claim 10 wherein the
 humidity indicator device comprises a humidity indicator
 disk and a system for securing the humidity indicator disk
 to the tray cover.
- 15. The packaging container of Claim 14 wherein the humidity indicator disk comprises a hydrophillic blotter substrate onto which a humidity indicator solution has been placed.
- 16. The packaging container of Claim 15 wherein the humidity indicator solution comprises cobalt chloride.
- 17. The packaging container of Claim 11 wherein the humidity indicator device is secured to the tray cover using a clear plastic disk mounted within the opening in the tray cover.
- 18. A process for filling and shipping of a packaging container containing integrated circuits comprising

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introducing integrated circuits into a tray,

baking the integrated circuits while in the tray to reduce the water content in the integrated circuits,

securing a tray cover over the tray, wherein the tray cover is comprised of a plastic material, an electrostatic charge dissipating material and a desiccating material for absorbing moisture contained within the packaging container; and

placing the covered tray containing integrated circuits within a moisture-proof barrier bag.

(19). A process for filling and shipping of a packaging container containing integrated circuits, comprising

introducing dry, baked integrated circuits into a shipping tray,

securing a tray cover over the tray, wherein the tray cover is comprised of a plastic material, an electrostatic charge dissipating material and a desiccating material for absorbing moisture contained within the packaging container; and

placing the covered tray containing dry baked integrated circuits within a moisture-proof barrier bag.

- 20. The process of Claim 18 wherein the tray cover further comprises a humidaty indicator device.
- 21. The process of Claim 19 wherein the tray cover further comprises a humidity indicator device.